SAMGrid Overview

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SAMGrid Management

- Co-project managers Wyatt Merritt and Rick St. Denis have stepped down.
 - ❖ Wyatt has stepped down as Run II Data Handling group leader
- I am the new SAMGrid project leader (as of two weeks ago)
 - ❖ Define project goals, set tasks, track work, interact with customers and stakeholders, interact with line managers (more than just Run II DH)
- ♦ Krzysztof Genser is the new Run II DH group leader
 - Manages the people (all of whom are on the SAMGrid team), is a member of the SAMGrid team, leading CDF SAM deployment

Management changes

- ◆ My science is DØ, but my SAMGrid is CD
 - ❖ Aside from being a DØ sam shifter, I have no DH responsibilities at DØ (nor anywhere else)
- Improve planning, documentation (both internal and external), and process
- ◆ Improve team cohesiveness
- ◆ Institute a more formal relationship with customers/stakeholders
- ◆ It's taking me awhile to ramp up...
 - What follows are my thoughts and ideas. Further reflection and alterations are likely...

SAMGrid Requirements

- Transfer enormous amounts of data needed for different activities (scalable)
- ... sometimes over large distances and with non-fault tolerant hardware (robust)
- Maintain knowledge of what we are doing and what we did (monitoring and bookkeeping)
- Use our limited resources effectively both at home and away (efficient)

- Don't want to know the details [where files sit, where jobs run] (transparent)
- Find data easily (query tools)

Solution...

- A data handling and job management system
- SAMGrid

What can SAMGrid do?

SAMGrid manages file storage (replica catalogs)

Data files are stored in tape systems at Fermilab and elsewhere. Files can be cached around the world for fast access

SAMGrid manages file delivery

- Users at Fermilab and remote sites retrieve files out of file storage. SAMGrid can handle caching for efficiency
- You don't care about file locations

SAMGrid manages file metadata cataloging

SAMGrid DB holds metadata for each file. You don't need to know the file names to get data

SAMGrid manages analysis bookkeeping

SAMGrid remembers what files you ran over, what files you processed successfully, what applications you ran, when you ran them and where

SAMGrid manages jobs

Choose execution site, deliver job, executables, and its needed data, store output

Deployment status

- ◆ DØ: For DH, SAM is used exclusively
 - Reprocessing effort using JIM (job management part of SAMGrid)
 - Writing interoperability with LCG code
 - Starting to deploy v6 at FNAL
- ◆ CDF: Deploying SAM to be main DH
 - ❖ Integration and load testing with v6 on CAF
 - ❖ Remote sites have been using v5; converting to v6
 - Prototype SAM Farm is functioning
 - Deploying several SAMGrid [JIM] job execution sites for MC (Valeria)
 - ❖ See Krzysztof's talk
- ♦ MINOS: In the initial stages of deployment

Goals

- Near term
 - Serve the experiment customers
- ◆ Medium term
 - Transition to maintenance mode for experiment customers; collaborate with Grid stakeholders & concentrate on interoperability
- ◆ Long term
 - Contribute components to Grid systems
- ♦ We are working on many of these aspects now

v6 SAM

- ◆ v6 SAM
 - Make full use of new DB Schema
 - Rewrite of DB Server (middleware) more robust, performant, and maintainable
 - Improvements to SAM client, station, DDE
- ◆ CDF is deploying
- ◆ DØ starting to deploy
 - ❖ Need to work transition into experiment schedule

Near Term Goals

- ◆ Big stuff
 - ❖ Deploy SAM DH at CDF
 - Gerry Gugliemo is "consultant"
 - Deploy SAMGrid at some CDF sites for MC
 - ❖ Deploy v6 at DØ
 - Run SAMGrid for DØ remote reprocessing
 - Deploy SAM at MINOS
- Additional ongoing projects
 - !ssue tracker
 - Improve packaging/configuration/installation
 - ❖ SQL Builder
 - Querying distributed databases (SBIR II)
 - Station code evaluation
 - SAMGrid/LCG interoperability

Near Term Goals

MIS server

- ❖ Next generation monitoring (not log files)
 - SAMGrid applications send monitoring events to server
 - Backend applications process events and store, display, or take action
 - Extremely flexible system tailored for SAMGrid

Information cache

 Improve efficiency and performance by caching DB queries near the SAM DH stations

Status

- Monitoring server 98% complete
- SAMGrid application instrumentation 90% complete
- SamTV transition to SamHDTV 50% complete
- Information cache ongoing

Near Term Goals

- Future projects to start soon
 - RCP to SAM Parameters (CDF Request)
 - Process bookkeeping (CDF/DØ Request)
 - ❖ MC/Farm request system (CDF/DØ Request)
 - ❖ Test harness improvements
 - SAMGrid Job Brokering
 - ❖ SAMGrid Job Handling for Analysis
 - MISWEB enhancements (CDF Request)
 - ❖ SAM SRM interface
 - Improve cache groups and quotas (Potential Request)
 - Document what we've got in a journal
 - New requests from experiments
- Maintenance and operations support ongoing
 - Experts support SAM shifters and react quickly to deployment issues

Effort

- ◆ Somewhat in flux, a snapshot...
 - ❖ 6.0 FTEs development (SAMGrid team)

 - ❖ 3 FTEs non-FNAL funds
 - ❖ 7.5 FTEs operations and deployment

Medium Term Goals

- After SAMGrid matures at experiments, new feature requests should diminish
- ◆ Feature freeze SAMGrid for experiments
- Explore deeper interoperability with Grid systems; collaborate
 - More integrated VO system (authorization, roles)
 - Jobs using SAM DH can run on other Grid systems (already started for LCG)
 - Jobs running on other Grid systems but not explicitly using SAM DH have access to SAM services via "standard" Grid tools

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Long term goals

- Can SAMGrid contribute components of functionality to Grid systems?
 - ❖ Meta-data catalog
 - Caching and file transfer routing
 - Bookkeeping (request systems)
 - Job brokering and monitoring
- Would require breaking SAMGrid into pieces
 - Much work for DH components, since is a monolithic system -- but worth exploring
 - Export SAMGrid as a Fermilab product

Summary

- Run II experiments and MINOS will all soon rely on SAMGrid for their data handling needs
 - Working well at DØ, soon to be deployed at CDF and MINOS
 - Support of the experiments must be primary goal for the near - medium term
- ◆ SAMGrid is a unique product
 - A Grid system doing real physics work today; not a prototype
 - Exporting our knowledge and perhaps code to other Grid systems is a longer term goal